

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-4, 6, 8-10, 12, 14-15, 17-18, 20, 22-24 and 26 are pending. Claims 1, 3-4, 6, 8, 17-18, 20 and 22 are amended, and claims 2, 7, 16 and 21 are canceled with this response. Reconsideration of the application in light of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

I. CLAIM AMENDMENTS AFTER FINAL

Claims 1 and 15 have been amended to incorporate limitations therein from previously pending depending claims. Therefore entry of such amendments does not require a new search, and further reduces the number of outstanding issues. In addition, the amendments to depending claims was made to address appropriate claim renumbering based on the amendments to claims 1 and 15, and corresponding cancellations of depending claims 2 and 7, and claims 16 and 21, respectively. Accordingly, entry of the above amendments is believed to be proper, and is respectfully requested.

II. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-4, 7-10, 12, 15-18, 21-24 AND 26 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-4, 7-10, 12, 15-18, 21-24 and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2005/0145908 (Moise et al.). Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested for at least the following reasons.

Claims 1 and 15 each recite a ferroelectric material comprising PZT, wherein the PZT material comprises a Zr content of about 0-52%. Moise et al. do not teach this feature. While the Office Action asserts that paragraphs [0028] and [0045] teach this feature, review of the cited art shows no such teaching. Rather, the cited reference indicates that the ferroelectric material may be PZT, but provides no teaching regarding a Zr content thereof. Thus the cited reference fails to anticipate the claimed invention. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

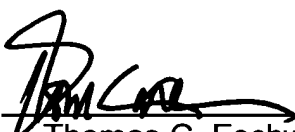
III. CONCLUSION

For at least the above reasons, the claims currently under consideration are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Should any fees be due as a result of the filing of this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account Number 20-0668, TIP346US.

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